

MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Governing Boarget

FROM: Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Executive Officer

DATE: \ July 6, 2005

SUBJECT: Agenda Item VI: Consideration of resolution adopting Mitigated Negative

Declaration for 8th Street Park Project, along the Pacoima Wash, City of San

Fernando.

<u>Staff Recommendation</u>: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution adopting the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the 8th Street Park project in the City of San Fernando.

<u>Background</u>: A copy of the subject Mitigated Negative Declaration is attached. The document describes the park project to be constructed on property recently acquired by the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA). The MRCA held a public hearing for the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the 8th Street Park Project at its June 1, 2005 meeting. No public comments were received at that time.

The MND was submitted to the State Clearinghouse on April 15, 2005. It was received on April 19, 2005. The official review period ended May 18, 2005. Only one comment letter was received (attached). The California Department of Transportation(Caltrans) requested that large size truck trips be limited to off-peak commute periods. Compliance with this recommendation will not negatively affect the project.

The MND was posted by the Los Angeles County Clerk on May 20, 2005. The official review period closed on June 20, 2005, and no comments were received.

No subsequent comments have been received through June 29, 2005. Any comments received between the printing of this report and the July 6th Governing Board meeting will be made available at the meeting.